



The Eurostars 2 Programme at a Glance

Programme	Eurostars 2
Funding agency	National funding bodies of EUREKA member states + European Commission
Objectives	Promotion of innovative Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (SMEs) with: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• More than 10% of annual turnover spent on R&D• Proven financial viability (co-funding)• Sufficient capacities to market the project results (commercialisation)
Theme	Free choice of product-driven and market-oriented project idea (bottom-up)
Timing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Call for proposals: Continuously open• Proposal submission: Two deadlines per year• Project start: Less than 7 months after the submission deadline
Consortium	Minimum of 2 partners from 2 different countries. At least one SME
Duration	Usually 2 years, maximum 3 years
Funding rates	National funding rules apply, e.g. 50% for SMEs
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Success criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Project idea and innovation• Expertise of partners• Market potential and commercialisation within 2 years after the end of the project
Success Rate	About 30% on average in the first edition of the Eurostars programme (2007-2013). Higher success rates are expected for Eurostars 2 thanks to a significant increase of available funding (2-3 times more).
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